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SUBJECT: 93RD EXECUTIVE BOARD ITEM 4.3.2 - UN UNIVERSITY

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1. REVISED COPY OF RESES PERTAINING TO UN UNIVERSITY AS FOLLOWS:
QUOTE THE EXECUTIVE BOARD,

(1) HAVING TAKEN NOTE WITH SATISFACTION OF THE REPORT OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE FOUNDING COMMITTEE OF THE UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY, APPOINTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2951 (XXVII) AND OF THE DRAFT CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY PROPOSED BY IT,

(2) CONSCIOUS OF THE PARTICULAR RESPONSIBILITIES WHICH DEVOLVE UPON UNESCO, IN LIAISON WITH THE OTHER COMPETENT SPECIALIZED ORGANIZATIONS, IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PROJECT, AS STATED IN RESOLUTION 1.323 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE AT ITS SEVENTEENTH SESSION,

(3) EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION OF THE ASSISTANCE GIVEN BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL, ON BEHALF OF UNESCO, IN CARRYING OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY;

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(4) REAFFIRMS ITS DESIRE THAT UNESCO SHARE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT AND SUBSEQUENT OPERATION OF THE UNIVERSITY, WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM;

(5) EXPRESSES ITS AGREEMENT WITH THE BROAD OUTLINES OF THE DRAFT CHARTER PREPARED BY THE FOUNDING COMMITTEE SUBJECT TO THE OBSERVATIONS FORMULATED IN THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS AND THE SUGGESTIONS CONTAINED IN THE ANNEX TO THIS RESOLUTION, THE OBJECT OF WHICH IS TO CLARIFY CERTAIN IDEAS IN CONFORMITY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2951 (XXVII) WHICH WOULD HELP TO SECURE THE SUPPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC COMMUNITY FOR THE IDEA OF A UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY;

(6) RECALLS THAT THESE OBSERVATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS REFLECT PRINCIPLES ALREADY SET FORTH IN THE PREVIOUS RESOLUTIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF UNESCO AS WELL AS IN SEVERAL DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD ITSELF, BEING INTENDED, IN PARTICULAR:

(A) TO REAFFIRM WITH ALL NECESSARY PRECISION THE OBJECTIVES OF THE ACTIVITY OF THE UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY AND TO DEFINE THE AREAS IN WHICH ITS RESEARCH AND TRAINING WORK WILL BE CARRIED OUT, IN CONFORMITY, IN PARTICULAR, WITH PARAGRAPH 2(F) OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2951 (XXVII);

(B) TO ENSURE THE AUTONOMY AND ACADEMIC FREEDOM OF THE UNIVERSITY, WITHOUT WHICH FRUITFUL RESEARCH AND TRAINING WORK CANNOT BE

SUCCESSFULLY CARRIED ON; TO ENSURE ACADEMIC FREEDOM, NOT ONLY FOR THE UNIVERSITY AS AN INSTITUTION, BUT ALSO FOR ALL THOSE WHO WILL BE CALLED UPON, WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE UNIVERSITY, TO CARRY ON RESEARCH AND TRAINING ACTIVITIES;

(C) TO ENSURE THAT THE UNIVERSITY AND ALL THOSE WHO WILL BE CALLED UPON TO WORK IN IT ACT IN CONFORMITY WITH THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER AND THE CONSTITUTION OF UNESCO;

(D) TO ASSIST IN SECURING CLOSE INTEGRATION OF THE UNIVERSITY IN THE WORLD ACADEMIC COMMUNITY AND THE BROADEST POSSIBLE PARTICIPATIONS OF SCHOLARS AND RESEARCH WORKERS FROM ALL REGIONS AND UNCLASSIFIED

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ALL MEMBER STATES, WHATEVER THE DEGREE OF DEVELOPMENT, GEOGRAPHICAL SITUATION, SOCIAL SYSTEM OR CULTURAL TRADITIONS OF THOSE STATES;

(E) TO ENSURE THAT THE UNIVERSITY, WHILE SERVING ALL MANKIND AND REMAINING TRUE TO ITS WORLD VOCATION, GIVES VERY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE PROBLEMS AND CONCERNS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND HELPS TO STRENGTHEN THE SCIENTIFIC POTENTIAL OF THE LATTER;

(F) TO ENSURE THAT UNESCO, WITHOUT ENCROACHING ON THE UNIVERSITY'S

AUTONOMY, HAS EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO EXERCISE ITS OWN SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITY IN THE CARRYING OUT OF THIS PROJECT;

(7) EARNESTLY HOPES THAT, FROM THE OUTSET, THE UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY WILL BE STRONGLY SUPPORTED, ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS, BY THE GOVERNMENTS OF DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, SO THAT IT MAY OBTAIN THE NECESSARY RESOURCES, WHETHER FOR THE SETTING UP OF RESEARCH AND TRAINING CENTRES OR IN THE FORM OF FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THAT THE UNIVERSITY MAY ALSO RECEIVE THE COOPERATION OF A WIDE VARIETY OF BODIES, BOTH GOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE, BELONGING TO THE INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC COMMUNITY, AND IN THIS CONNEXION RECALLS THE PRINCIPLES SET OUT IN PARAGRAPH 12 OF DECISION 4.2.1 ADOPTED AS ITS 89TH SESSION;

(8) RECOMMENDS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 6 OF THE REPORT OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE FOUNDING COMMITTEE THAT - WHEN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPROVES THE CHARTER OF THE UNIVERSITY - THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS BE INVITED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY MEASURES IN AGREEMENT WITH THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF UNESCO, FOR BRINGING THE CHARTER INTO EFFECT, BEARING IN MIND, INTER ALIA, THAT, IN THE BOARD'S OPINION, IT WOULD SEEM DESIRABLE:

(A) THAT THE TRANSITION PERIOD WHICH WILL ELAPSE BETWEEN THE ADOPTION OF THE CHARTER BY THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF THE FIRST RECTOR, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER ADOPTED, BE AS SHORT AS POSSIBLE;

(B) THAT THE EXPENSES INCURRED DURING THIS PREPARATORY PERIOD BE COVERED BY THE CAPITAL SUMS, OR THE INCOME DERIVED FROM THE FUNDS, PLACED AT THE DISPOSAL OF THE UNIVERSITY IN THE FORM OF VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS FROM MEMBER STATES;

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(C) THAT THE ESTABLISHMENTS FORMING PART OF THE UNIVERSITY BE SET UP GRADUALLY AND PROGRESSIVELY, SUBJECT TO OBSERVANCE OF THE STRICTEST SCIENTIFIC PRINCIPLES AND TO AVAILABILITY OF SUFFICIENT RESOURCES;
(D) THAT UNESCO, THROUGH THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL, BE GIVEN A SUBSTANTIAL ROLE TO PLAY, CONSONANT WITH ITS PRIMARY COMPETENCE AND RESPONSIBILITIES, IN ALL THE PREPARATORY WORK AND TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS ;

(9) INVITES THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL TO TRANSMIT THIS RESOLUTION WITH ITS ANNEX TO THE UNITED NATIONS IN TIME FOR ITS CONSIDERATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS TWENTY-EIGHTH SESSION, A
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